



VOTER GUIDE 2022

For The **June 28, 2022**

Polls shall remain open continuously between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.

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GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

Candidates for Nomination:

McLean County Board

McLean County Clerk

McLean County Sheriff

McLean County Treasurer

Illinois Circuit Court District 11

PURPOSE

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ABOUT THE 2022 VOTER GUIDE

Candidate information for the Voter Guide is supplied by the candidates themselves. The League has requested responses from county-wide candidates whose candidacy has been verified with the Board of Elections. The candidates are listed in lottery order from the [McLean County Clerk's office](#), and from the [Illinois State Board of Elections](#) for the Circuit Court candidates. Each candidate's reply is printed as submitted. Candidates were given a 300 character limit for each question. The League of Women Voters takes no responsibility for the candidate's information, content, or accuracy.



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Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.

OUR VISION

We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate.

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2022 Primary Election Calendar

- **May 19** - First day to mail Vote By Mail Ballots to voters within the US.
- **May 19** - Early Voting begins.
- **May 31** - Last day that citizens outside the US can request a Vote by Mail Ballot and receive a full ballot.
- **June 12** - Last day for voters to register through the [State Board of Elections website](#).
- **June 20** - Any Vote by Mail request by citizens outside the US that is received after this date will receive a ballot for Federal offices only (no local offices).
- **June 23** - Last day to request a Vote By Mail Ballot via mail or electronically by citizens within the US.
- **June 27** - Last day of Early Voting.
- **June 28** - Primary Election day
- **June 28** - Last day for Vote by Mail ballots to be postmarked or delivered to the County Clerk's Office (by 7 p.m. if in-person).
- **July 5** - Last day a provisional voter may submit information to the County Clerk to support their registration status.



Election Day Problems?

Report an election issue by calling:

- 1-309-888-5190 - [McLean Co. Clerks' Office](#) (All of McLean Co., IL except City of Bloomington, IL)
- 1-309-888-5136 - [City of Bloomington Board of Election Commissioners](#) (Only City of Bloomington, IL residents)
- 1-888-VE-Y-VOTA (en [Español](#))
- 1-888-API-VOTE ([Asian multilingual assistance](#))
- 1-844-YALLA-US ([Arabic](#))

McLean County Board: 4-year term or 2-year term depending on election year; county board is reapportioned every ten years, the length of terms are staggered

- There are 10 districts represented by the McLean County Board.
- Find your County Board District here: [County Board Interactive Map](#)
- [Description](#)

McLean County Board [District 1](#) Candidates:

Janis B. Hollins	County Board	District 1	D
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Candidate did not respond.

Marcia S. Beaman	County Board	District 1	D
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Candidate did not respond.

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Adam Reeves	County Board	District 1	R
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Candidate did not respond.



McLean County Board [District 2](#) Candidates:

Bill Friedrich	County Board	District 2	R
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Candidate did not respond.

James Soeldner	County Board	District 2	R
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Background:

Elected to the board in 2008. Served as Chairman of Finance, and currently Chairman of Land use and Transportation committee, and Vice Chairman of the board. Serve on Executive, Rules, and Legislative committees. I live in Ellsworth and have 5 grand kids and 5 great grandkids.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I want to continue to serve the county and Chairman McIntyre and see thru many programs that the county oversees. I want to be a voice for rural McLean County and the rural villages and taxpayers.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

I believe it's important that rural voters have a voice in county government. Over 25% of voters live in the rural parts of McLean County. Highways, public safety, and Economic Development are important to me.

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Social: none provided

Tyler Bahan	County Board	District 2	R
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Candidate did not respond.

McLean County Board [District 3](#) Candidates:

Faye Freeman-Smith	County Board	District 3	D
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Background:

I am the Director of Student Counseling Services at Heartland Community College, own a private practice, Counseling Resource Institute, and have lived and served in the community for over 35 years where I raised my two children. Awards include YWCA Woman of Distinction and MCLP Services leader.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I believe by working together with a shared spirit of collaboration and inclusion, we can quickly reach our goals and obtain better solutions more successfully. I will work to lift McLean County up and forge a path forward to help all to thrive and have a full quality of life in these difficult times.



What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

1. Improve mental health services and resources for all residents
2. Support the family farm
3. Support a prevailing wage
4. Update infrastructure and awareness of disaster preparedness
5. Safeguard fiscally responsible decision making
6. Continue the building of collaboration among community leadership

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George O. Wendt	County Board	District 3	R
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Candidate did not respond.

Lyndsay Bloomfield	County Board	District 3	R
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Candidate did not respond.

McLean County Board [District 4](#) Candidates:

Jerry Klinkner	County Board	District 4	R
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Background:

I served in the Army, trained in social work, worked at Cook County Hospital, moved to Normal with my wife to be close to our grandchildren. I work as a counselor. I've been a volunteer with Habitat and the ARC, currently volunteering with Catalyst Ministries and Vale Church.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

Since moving to Normal, I have come to care about the people in this area. My vision/interests lie in improving public health. The covid epidemic and lockdowns had a negative effect on the mental health of many people, but isolation was especially hard on children and the elderly.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

One of the pressing issues is our citizens' mental health. To evaluate mental health, a needs assessment should be done of children and the elderly. If this shows a true need, treatment resources should be provided and made readily available upon request.

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Matt Coates

County Board

District 4

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Background:

I was born and raised in Peoria, Illinois and I came to the Bloomington-Normal community as an Illinois State University student in 2008 and graduated in 2011. Following that, I pursued my passion for helping people in pursuing a career in social work, leading to me working for Project Oz.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

Growing up, helping your neighbor was a motto my parents and family lived by. That began my passion for helping people and making a difference in my community. As an adult, it is still the core mission that drives me professionally and personally. I serve to help people and to make a difference.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Behavioral health and availability of affordable housing. I feel those are both pressing issues, as well as issues we will need to continue a collaborative approach to conquer these issues in the future. My aim in doing that is by building community relationships and strategic visionary planning.

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Steve Harsh

County Board

District 4

R

Background:

Bloomington/Normal McLean County Native. Attended the University of Missouri. Started and became owner/operator of Topper's Steakhouse (later Steve's Steakhouse and Lounge, currently Times Past Inn), Steve Harsh Real Estate, and Budget Liquors. Currently Financial Analyst for Black Oak Securities,

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

The main reason for running for this position is to help government do the things government is required to do, starting with public safety, economic progress, and government accountability. We need to show our citizens that their Tax dollars collected are being used for the purpose intended.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Trust in Government is a huge concern today. Every elected Government Representative is obligated to be vigilant of Tax Dollars. The Citizens should see where every one of their Tax Dollars is going with an annual Public Media Publication. It should detail all revenue collected for specific purpose

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Jim Rogal

County Board

District 4

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Background:

I worked 16 in State Government focused on Policy and Communications. I have been working for the Laborers Midwest Region since 2015 currently for the Health & Safety Fund promoting and advocating for the lives and well being of our members and their families of the Laborers Union across 10 states.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I am wanting to continue to serve the people of the 4th district by maintaining our public lands, maintaining our public roads, and continue to make McLean County a leader in green energy and technology that is created locally and built by local workers.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

McLean County is facing many of the same issues that we are seeing nationally. We have a need for affordable housing, our workers deserve a living wage and access to mental health services. McLean County has a Mental Health Action plan that needs to be prioritized and put into practice.

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McLean County Board District 5 Candidates:

Elizabeth Johnston

County Board

District 5

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Background:

I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker providing behavioral health services to our community and adjunct instructor for the ISU School of Social Work. I have spent my career emphasizing collaboration and communication in building strong foundations; and bring those principles to county government.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I am dedicated to ensuring McLean County is a thriving community, working to ensure fiscal responsibility, maintain reliable roads and infrastructure, improve the welfare of all county residents from safety to essential care needs, and continue to build positive economic growth.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Issues we are facing include how to support county departments in their efforts to serve our growing community with adequate staffing and equipment. Our budget growth depends on expanding the tax base with commercial and housing inventory development as well as reducing expenditures where possible.

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***Write-In Candidate** **County Board** **District 5** **R**

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McLean County Board District 6 Candidates:

Beverly A. Bell **County Board** **District 6** **D**

Candidate did not respond.

Jack H. Abraham **County Board** **District 6** **D**

Background:

I am a student at ISU, a McLean County native, and an Operation Enduring Freedom-Horn of Africa veteran. I have been active in the community for as long as I can remember, from being taken to rallies as a child to now speaking at these rallies. I am a supporter of inclusivity and human rights.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I have been here my entire life, I know the people living here and I care about their success. I am also a student; I have a unique perspective on McLean County that not all people have. I want to make this county a place that includes students and encourages resident engagement in local politics.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

An issue that I have faced as well as observed others face, is that of renters' rights. I want to make this County a safe place for people to rent by discouraging renter exploitation, increasing renter rights, and renter reeducation. This issue is faced by students and lower income households.

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McLean County Board District 7 Candidates:

Val Laymon **County Board** **District 7** **D**

Candidate did not respond.

Benjamin Webb **County Board** **District 7** **D**

Candidate did not respond.



Geoff Tompkins **County Board** **District 7** **R**

Candidate did not respond.

Donald Crop **County Board** **District 7** **R**

Background:

10 years United States Army-15 years Field Engineer, Eastman Kodak-21 years Supervisor for COUNTRY Financial National Call Center.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I want to bring a conservative slant to government. I want to see excessive waste cut and funding increased for infrastructure and public safety. I want the county government foster an environment that encourages economic growth.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Roads and bridges, law enforcement, and economic growth. I won't know what can be changed until/unless I am directly involved in county government. I know there are those in the County Sheriff's office that are not happy with some of the new laws passed by the state.

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McLean County Board [District 8](#) Candidates:

[Jeanne Biles](#) **County Board** **District 8** **D**

Background:

I am a Democrat who believes that the role of government is to provide support and resources for the community. I am a supporter of worker's rights, women's rights, and LGBTQ+ rights.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I wish to serve on the McLean County Board to be an advocate for the constituents in my district. My vision for the office is to address issues that we face with a growing population and subsequent growing pains, including the expansion of wind farms.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

I believe that the pressing issues in the office include funding our social services, improving mental health services at our county jail, and ensuring that the county provides employees with a safe environment with the tools and resources they need.

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[Lea Cline](#)

County Board

District 8

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Background:

I am a professor at ISU. When I moved here in 2012 to start my career, I found a welcoming, vibrant community. I have tried to serve that community in a variety of ways—from election judge to historic preservation—and was honored to be both appointed and elected to the McLean County Board.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

My two dogs and I walk my westside neighborhood everyday. These walks have led to many conversations with neighbors of all types. Politics don't come up—"how are you" and "how can I help" do. I cherish these neighbors and hope that my service on the Board has reflected my dedication to serving them.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Our county is seeing exciting growth amid fiscal stress nationally. We must resist the urge to shrink—we must remain future focused, for our current businesses, future entrepreneurs, and the families that they raise here. The services that the County provides are critical to this growth.

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***Write-In Candidate**

County Board

District 8

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McLean County Board [District 9](#) Candidates:

[Brandy Elizabeth Elmore](#)

County Board

District 9

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Background:

I am a mental health professional and social worker, and have served McLean County in various capacities for the past 15 years. I have two master's degrees, in psychology (neuroscience) and social work, and currently work as a licensed school social worker in the public school system.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I want to ensure that we meet the basic needs of all of our residents in order to foster a stable community that we can all benefit from. To address mental health, we have to address the basic hierarchy of needs, and I want to use my experience to speak for those who can't speak for themselves.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Our county recognized the importance of mental health support by creating a special mental health tax, but there has been some misalignment with how it's been allocated. I



will work to ensure that the majority of our mental health budget is utilized in a preventative, rather than reactive, manner.

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Natalie
Roseman-Mendoza

County Board

District 9

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Background:

I was raised in rural Lexington, Illinois, an Illinois State University graduate and a paraprofessional in the McLean County Unit 5 School District. I am also an entrepreneur, artist, former business owner, mother and primary family provider.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

As a lifelong member of the community I am committed to improving the community by maximizing the resources available to the areas of need.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

I am running in support of nursing homes, education and mental health.

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Julie Hahn

County Board

District 9

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Background:

I was a former trustee for the Village of Downs. I over saw the Sewer Project. I volunteered in Dooley Park for all holidays. I was a member of of the Zoning board.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I would like to focus on Infrastructure in the county. I believe we are here to serve the tax payers and to oversee how there money is being spent.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

I would like to educate myself first before I speak about issues.

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Website: none provided

Social: none provided

Susan Schafer

County Board

District 9

R

Background:

Elected in 2010. Currently serve as Health Committee Chair, a member of the Justice, Legislative, Executive Committees, Liquor Commission, Board of Health, Behavioral Health CC, Criminal Justice CC, BH PAT, Trauma Informed and Resilience Oriented Initiative, Data Driven Justice Initiative and more.



Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I have proven leadership and problem-solving skills working and collaborating with community partners to bring change to community mental health services addressing the needs of those with behavioral health needs both inside and outside of the judicial system.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

The ability to attract and retain a strong, diverse workforce for county departments to maintain county services that residents expect, balanced with being a good steward of taxpayer dollars. A salary study is underway.

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McLean County Board [District 10](#) Candidates

[Corey T.J. Beirne](#)

County Board

District 10

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Background:

I have lived in Bloomington/Normal for 27 years. I currently teach elementary music in Unit 5. I am a former foster parent, arts organization board member, and am active in the local music scene. My family and I are very active in the community and take pride in all that all it has to offer.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I've decided to run for McLean County Board because I believe this perspective of community, empathy, transparent governance, and responsible financial stewardship is missing from our Republican-led County Board. I commit to data driven decisions and respectful dialogue with all stakeholders.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

The County Board oversees agencies that serve our most vulnerable populations through the county nursing home, health department, and jail. Our neighbors served by these agencies deserve better treatment. I look forward to talking with those directly involved to learn more about what is needed.

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[Chuck Erickson](#)

County Board

District 10

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Background:

I was born and raised in Gibson City. I graduated from Illinois State University in 1991 with honors, magna cum laude, with a degree in economics. I have been practicing law in Bloomington since 1997. I was appointed to the McLean County Board in 2011, elected in 2012, re-elected in 2014, 2018.



Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I have been a staunch advocate for the taxpayer. I have yet to vote for a tax increase. I led the fight and voted for the Heart of Illinois Pandemic Plan, designed by an epidemiologist, for reopening McLean County. I am strongly pro-public safety and voted to increase the pay of law enforcement.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Maintaining efficient government while properly assessing priorities, such as infrastructure, public safety and keeping law enforcement. This county has held the tax levy flat for years during my time on the board. We have not denied anyone anything, but we assessed proper priorities.

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William C. Holditch

County Board

District 10

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Background:

I grew up in Texas and have worked in the family business for 25 years.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I would like to help McLean County to be an amazing place to live and raise a family.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Taxes and spending are at the top of the list, we need to control spending and keep taxes low.

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McLean County Clerk: 4-year term

- [Description](#)

McLean County Clerk Candidates:

Kathy Michael

County Clerk

McLean County

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Background:

Elected County Clerk in 2010. Re-elected by double-digits in 2014 and 2018. Administered 18 elections with no legitimate allegations of voter fraud or voter suppression. Have maintained an excellent reputation in all our divisions which include Recording, Vital Records, Genealogy and Tax Extension.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I'd like to continue to look for ways to update and streamline our office procedures and maintain our excellent reputation of first-rate customer service.



What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Working to keep our reputation of quality service to the public; staying ahead of issues instead of waiting for something to happen with continued education continually engaging our counterparts in the Illinois Association of County Officials; always searching for new ideas on how to improve.

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[Laura McBurney](#)

County Clerk

McLean County

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Background:

I have 10 years experience in customer service & office administration. I homeschool my three children, one with special needs. As a 5th generation McLean County resident, I graduated Heartland Comm. College & Eureka College with a Bachelors, a first generation graduate.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I am seeking to serve and protect voter's rights, providing the freedom and liberty of choice, with representation that respects differences and sees the need for equity. I want to improve voter knowledge and engagement.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Public perception of voting integrity and access is poor, but transparency with accountability can improve that perception. Using a people centered approach to lead with empathy in service, providing information and voter support will create an environment that raises voter confidence.

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[McLean County Sheriff: 4-year term](#)

- [Description](#)

McLean County Sheriff Candidate:

[Matt Lane](#)

County Sheriff

McLean County

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Candidate did not respond.



McLean County Treasurer: 4-year term

- [Description](#)

McLean County Treasurer Candidates:

Charles E. Sila	County Treasurer	McLean County	L
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Candidate did not respond.

Rebecca C. McNeil	County Treasurer	McLean County	R
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Background:

I have spent 23 years of my professional career in public service and governmental accounting. I have been elected County Treasurer by the voter's of McLean County in 2004, 2006, 2010, 2014, and 2018. I am a graduate of Western Illinois University with a BA and MA in Economics.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

Serving the public is my passion and I have 23 years of experience in the office. I want to continue to utilize my experience, leadership, and knowledge to create positive change. Vision is to build solutions through communication, collaboration, and cooperation. Continue is to leverage technology.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Serving the public is my passion and I have 23 years of experience in the office. I want to continue to utilize my experience, leadership, and knowledge to create positive change. Vision is to build solutions through communication, collaboration, and cooperation. Continue is to leverage technology.

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ILLINOIS CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT 11: 6-year term

- [Description](#)
- [learn more about Illinois Courts](#)
- district 11 serves counties: Ford, Livingston, Logan, McLean, Woodford
- court location:
[McLean County Law & Justice Center](#)
104 West Front Street, Room 411
Bloomington, IL 61701

Judicial Circuit Court District 11 Candidates:

Drazewski Vacancy



Carla Barnes	11th Circuit - Drazewski Vacancy	11th District	R
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Candidate did not respond.

Lawrence Vacancy

<u>Amy McFarland</u>	11th Circuit - Lawrence Vacancy	11th District	R
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Background:

I have more than 20 years of legal and trial experience serving as a public defender, a general practitioner owning my own firm, and as an associate judge.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I felt called to serve as a judge from a very young age and have tailored my career toward that goal. I'll strive to be an engaged public servant of the 11th Circuit; to apply the laws of Illinois and the constitution, leading with the principles of fairness, accountability, integrity and respect.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

The courts and jails have seen many litigants suffering from addiction and mental health issues. The judiciary is working to meet the need of those who appear before them. I will continue to utilize community resources to address participants' mental health concerns and promote access to justice.

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<u>Don Knapp</u>	11th Circuit - Lawrence Vacancy	11th District	R
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Background:

I was raised on a farm in Goodfield, married my college sweetheart 26+ years ago and together we've raised three children. I've worked at an insurance defense firm, State Farm, the appellate court and the State's Attorney's Office on everything from murder cases to helping bring Rivian to town.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

The breadth of my career, whether it is working in the middle of the Robert Taylor Homes or the fields of Central Illinois, is something not really seen before on the bench in this circuit. I want to serve to bring that diverse background to the bench and ensure victims' rights are never ignored.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Implementing the SAFE-T Act threatens community safety by altering the workings of so many courtrooms. My 11+ years of interpreting legislation for the appellate court to



determine whether trial courts properly implemented various statutes makes me the ideal candidate to face that challenge.

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***Write-In Candidates:**

Catherine Metsker	County Board	District 1	R
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Candidate did not respond.

<u>John McIntyre</u>	County Board	District 5	R
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Background:

41 years as educator: teacher, administrator, counselor and athletic coach & official in local elementary, secondary schools, colleges and universities. Served on County Board for 21 years. Chairman of Health and Executive Committees. Vice Chair of Board for 3 years and Chairman last 7 years. Volunt

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

To give back to the citizens of this great community. I have been blessed to have been affiliated with so many great dedicated people and organizations. My vision is to help with continued progressive growth in many areas such as mental health services, health services, housing, homeless, services

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

A large percentage of my charge is dealing with providing adequate funding through grants awarded and adjusting our annual budget to meet the many annual changes and challenges in state funding. We must do this to provide the best services possible for ALL of our constituents without raising our co

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*Hannah Blumenshine	County Board	District 5	R
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Candidate did not respond.

*Vicki Schultz	County Board	District 8	R
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Background:

The truth is, I have survived a majority of struggles throughout my life. Abusive parents, sexual harassment, dealing with poverty, struggles of a single woman in a man's world,



confusion of identity (where do I fit in), and Jesus brought me through it all. I know compassion and responsibility.

Why do you want to serve and what is your vision for the office?:

I would like to serve the voters, with truth, and hard work. Actually, getting out, meeting the people and hearing their concerns, and bringing their concerns back to the board members and City Council.

What do you think are the pressing issues in the office you are running for today and into the future? How do you propose to address these issues?:

Safety, is number one! Communities must be safe! Sidewalks and streets and bring back trust in elected representatives, which means accountability.

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